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Making a better library for you & me

Workers erect the long-awaited arch at the Hancock County Library's Bay St. Louis branch.

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'Little Shop of Horrors'

The Bay St. Louis Little Theater mounts its production of the cult-classic -- with local flare.

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Hancock NAACP Mother o' Year

The Hancock County branch of the NAACP will host its annual supper theatre and "Mother of the Year" program honoring the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Saturday, Jan. 13, beginning at 7 p.m. at Gulfside United Methodist Assembly, 950 South Beach Blvd., Waveland. The speaker will be Jarvis McInnis of Gulfport. The theme is "Remember! Celebrate! Act! A Day On, Not a Day Off!" For ticket information, call 467-2443 or 467-1528.

StingRays slate tryouts Saturday

The Gulf Coast StingRays, Hancock County's resident professional football team, will conduct tryouts for new players for the upcoming season on Saturday, Jan. 27, beginning at 1 p.m. at Commagere Field near the Bay St. Louis Police Department. For more information, call team owner and head coach Matt Karl at 467-4404.

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Stickin' Around



Kilm-native and Hancock High School alumnus Richard Liles joined members of his rock band 3 Doors Down in Los Angeles Sunday to accept their American Music Awards trophy for "Favorite New Artist" in the Pop category.

Hancock High alum scores big as part of AMA's 'Favorite' band

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

The state of Mississippi is world-renowned for its musical talent -- after all, it's the birthplace of the Blues -- but Sunday may have marked the first time a native of Hancock County won anything like an American Music Award.

Kilm-native Richard J. Liles, 28, and his bandmates in 3 Doors Down were honored as "Favorite New Artist" in the Pop category at the awards Sunday night alongside such notables as Faith Hill and Tim McGraw. The awards ceremony was broadcast nationally on network television.

3 Doors Down hit it big on MTV and the Billboard charts in April last year with their song "Kryptonite," which remained the number one-requested song on Biloxi's WCPR radio for 25 weeks.

Founding members Matt Roberts (guitar), Todd Harrell (bass), Brad Arnold (singer) and Chris Henderson (guitar)

grew up near each other in Escatawpa, a town with a population of 4,000 about 20 miles east of Biloxi. They started the band in 1995 doing covers of artists songs in local clubs, then landed gigs opening for national acts such as Creed and Sister Hazel.

Later, they began writing their own material and landed a national recording contract with Republic Records, a subsidiary of Universal.

The band saw Liles performing with another group and eagerly recruited him

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Long-standing store to close -- and reopen with new (old) name

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

It's a Jungle out there, for now -- but it'll be a Winn-Dixie soon.

Winn-Dixie Inc., based in Jacksonville, Fla., announced in October that it

would acquire a total of 79 Jitney Jungle and Delchamps grocery stores in Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama, along with 32 fuel centers and two liquor stores in an \$85 million buy-out.

"Both the Pass Christian and Bay St. Louis (Jitney) stores will be changed to Winn-Dixie ... the week of Jan. 22," Keith

Levine, advertising director for the Louisiana and southern Mississippi Winn-Dixie district, said Tuesday. "The stores actually should be closed for about 24 hours and reopen as Winn-Dixie."

The change-over will take place at the Pass Christian store first, Levine said, then at the Bay St. Louis store at the Marketplace Shopping Center on Hwy. 90 and Dunbar Ave. It's not yet clear which days that week the stores will be closed, Levine said, since the change is taking place at all Jitney

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Helmets on Wheels



Echo staff photo by Cecilia Howe
Bay St. Louis Police officer Melissa Wellham on Saturday hands out complimentary bicycle helmets to students from North Bay Elementary to encourage them to ride safely.

Suspects caught in murder of instructor

Hattiesburg man taught gliding at Stennis Airport

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Two brothers have been arrested in the Dec. 15 shooting death of Frank Knippers, 56, of Hattiesburg. Tyertown Police have charged Lutie Jordon, 33, and Charles Jordon, 26, both of Columbia, with capital murder, said Tyertown Police Chief James Sparacello.

Knippers was shot twice, in the neck and back, but lived long enough to tell police that two black men in a large, older-model vehicle were responsible for the shooting. Neighbors who heard the shots and looked out to see what was happening were able to describe a vehicle they saw leaving the area.

The Jordons were spotted later driving a vehicle that matched the description and detained by Marion County

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Sentences issued in Stennis price fixing

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

The alleged ringleader of a contract fixing scheme at NASA's Stennis Space Center was sentenced to three years in federal prison Tuesday.

After a brief hearing in Biloxi federal court, U.S. District Judge David Bramblett also ordered Bill Mizell, 62, of Lumberton to pay \$40,000 in restitution.

The government alleged Mizell, from 1994 to 1999, paid kickbacks to employees of Johnson Controls World Services, Inc., in exchange for having employees buy products from companies he owned or was associated with. Over that period, prosecutors said Mizell made \$4.4 million from the scam. Until 1999, Johnson Controls was in charge of day-to-day operations at Stennis.

Mizell had pleaded guilty earlier to a charge of paying the kickbacks, but in testimony

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The finishing touch



Installation of the new entrance sign at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library began last week. The installation required the temporary closure of the Hwy. 90 service road between Ellen Kane Gifts and Bay Pharmacy. The 28-foot tall by 24-foot wide steel entrance archway was in the original plans for the library built in 1995, but funding was not available. Since that time, the Library Foundation of Hancock County was able to raise the funds to erect the structure thanks to a grant from Mr. and Mrs. Hester Plauche. Dan Hensarling construction Inc. of Gulfport is the contractor for the project. Walter Boldton of BDA Inc. architects designed the structure. For more information on the project, contact the library at 467-5282.



Harrison Co. Project Impact chief meeting with other Coast officials

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Richard Rose, Harrison County's Coordinator of the Project Impact Program, began making the rounds this week to acquaint building officials and others on the new federal program.

Project Impact is a nationwide initiative designed to bring people together at the local level to make communities more disaster ready; thereby minimizing the damage disasters can have on communities.

Hancock County and Bay St. Louis are in the process of formulating a budget and a plan for its Project Impact Program.

and has asked Waveland to come aboard.

"Lives can be saved, damage to property reduced and economic recovery accelerated by taking action before a natural disaster," Rose said in a press release sent to the coast media.

"FEMA and Harrison County are committed to reducing disaster losses, but we cannot do it alone. It will take every citizen and business person working together with local, state and federal government."

Rose was scheduled to meet with building officials in Pass Christian today. He had already met with building officials in Gulfport and Biloxi, and

Some Hancock County supervisors, civil defense officials and others plans to attend the conference.

Southern Regional forming advice panel

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Southern Regional Waste-water Management District passed a resolution on Tuesday to create an advisory committee consisting of all served or potentially-served districts, and made a request that board attorney Lucien Gex draft the resolution immediately. The board suggested that the advisory committee might consist of each district's operations director.

Last week, the Hancock County Board of Supervisors tabled discussion on the possibility of expanding the

Southern Regional District to include more members. At present, the district has three representatives, from Hancock County, Waveland, and Bay St. Louis, including Gex representing the county, Mayor Eddie Farve representing Bay St. Louis, and Mayor Tommy Longo representing Waveland.

The move came as a result of growing concern for the county's many districts to have some representation at Southern Regional, due to the possible expansion of the district's treatment services in the county. A long-range study is under way with the Gulf of Mexico

Program acting as coordinator to determine the most economically-feasible and environmentally-protective way to handle the county's future needs for sewage services.

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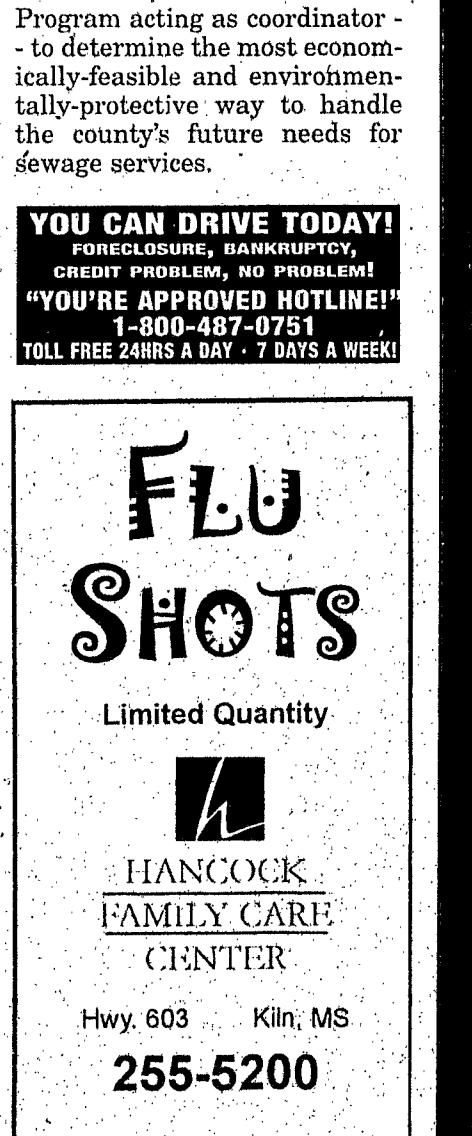
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Krewe seeking participants

The Krewe of Knights of Peter Claver will hold its fifth annual Mardi Gras Ball on Saturday, Jan. 27.

The group invites "anyone searching for a great place to start the Mardi Gras season off, to do it in style by joining them at 8 p.m. at the West Harrison Civic Center in Pass Christian. The 2001 theme is "A Fairy Tale Knight," and dress for the occasion will be a costume of after-five. Call 467-7006 or 463-9862.

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Pass opens qualifying for school board post

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Candidates have until 4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, to qualify to run for Post 5 on the Pass Christian School Board of Trustees.

An election will be held from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at DeLisle Elementary School. The Post 5 is being vacated by Dale Moran, who decided not to seek re-election after serving two terms. The election is to fill one of two trustee posts in the out-

side or added territory of the School District and outside the Pass Christian city limits.

In order to qualify, candidates must be a resident of the territory and obtain the signatures of 25 qualified electors. The petition must be filed with the office of the superintendent and include an affidavit certifying that all signatures are valid.

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Casino Magic BSL construction temporarily stalled

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

A speedy construction start for Casino Magic's \$30 million expansion hasn't materialized as fast as Bay St. Louis officials thought — and hoped — it would.

Neither has the city's adoption of a zoning plan covering the hundreds of acres encompassing the development.

Unrelated snags have impacted the construction and the zoning efforts, but officials still believe they're right on track.

The casino has received the city's blessing on plans to build a 14-story, 300-room hotel, with adjoining convention center space, as components in the first phase of massive redevelopment. City Council approved the additional facilities in an official Site Plan Review process, and agreed to lift a construction moratorium in effect for the area to allow the project to proceed.

In a meeting with council this week, however, Mayor Eddie Favre said there's been no request for a building permit to launch the construction.

"I haven't seen anything yet," said Favre. "They're still haggling with their contractor."

Favre said "some problems" developed in the final stages of

approval by higher-ups in the casino.

In a later interview, the city's chief building official, Bill Carrigee, said the expansion plans are still very much in motion. But, he said, casino officials are waiting on some "hard-core prices" from the contractor, Roy Anderson.

Carrigee said many of the project's components have been priced acceptably to the casino, but some elements had been given only cost estimates because details were incomplete.

Carrigee said he expects the casino will proceed almost immediately with more than \$1 million in upgrades to the existing casino, including an expansion of the buffet area, addition of escalators and elevators inside the casino, and a new entranceway that will tie the casino to the proposed hotel tower.

Construction prices for the new hotel and related facilities have the casino's approval, said Carrigee. But Anderson was able to offer only estimates for related items, such as, flooring, because Magic's team of architects and engineers was temporarily diverted to deal with problems in an unrelated project underway at another facility owned by Magic's corporate

company, Penn National Gaming.

City officials are anxious to see the project get off the ground, because it is expected to give a huge economic boost to the area. The initial phase of construction includes the hotel, restaurants, convention center and swimming pool. Later, the casino plans to build another 300-room hotel tower, parking garage, and time-share condominiums.

"I'd like to see some ribbons cut before election time," quipped Ward 2 council member James Thriffley. All five council seats and the mayor's post are up for election in June.

Meanwhile, council members say they want to consider zoning changes for the east side of Blue Meadow Road, between Casino Magic Drive and Bay High School. That area includes several parcels which have commercial uses, but which are zoned for residential development.

Thriftley said the area at issue contains property related to a proposed new RV park, and an existing bed and breakfast establishment.

In other matters Tuesday, council adopted a new definition of what constitutes a "major" development that will require formal Site Plan Review: any non-residential development

containing 5,000 square feet or involving two acres.

Falling into that category will require more stringent review by city officials and a vote by City Council. In the past, officials have not had a clear definition of what requires a "major" review, or a less stringent consideration without council action on "minor" projects.

Council adopted the new definition as a city policy Tuesday night. But Ward 4 council member Doug Seal insisted the policy should be incorporated in the city zoning code as well. Ten years down the road, he said, a mere policy could get "lost in the wash."

Council agreed to start the process of adding the policy to the code. Meanwhile, council grappled with a problem pointed out by watchdog Franya Etheridge: the city hasn't adopted an accurate, updated map of existing zoning. Etheridge said one proposed map contains probable errors. City officials spent months in an effort to sort through all the zoning changes and special uses which have been granted in recent years, leading to the proposed new map. But Etheridge said some properties on the new map show zoning changes that most likely amounted to special uses granted

under a rule that requires the property owner to implement the use within one year.

Officials said the one-year rule doesn't apply to actual zoning changes. But it apparently does apply to special uses which are approved without a zoning change. Officials promised to review the proposed map and clarify any inaccuracies.

At-large council member Bill Taylor expressed frustration over what could be a last-minute snag to the city's plan to adopt zoning for the Casino Magic and Cedar Point properties which were annexed a decade ago. "If this particular map isn't any good," Taylor said, "I'd sure like to find one that is."

Ward 4 council member Tad Black said he thinks the city can proceed to zone the annexed area by referencing only the part of the map that includes that area. Council adjourned until Jan. 16, when it will convene for a 5:30 p.m. workshop, a 6 p.m. joint meeting with the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, and a 7 p.m. council session. The meeting with supervisors concerns the operations and budget of Project Impact, which receives grant funding for efforts to make the community resistant to natural disasters.

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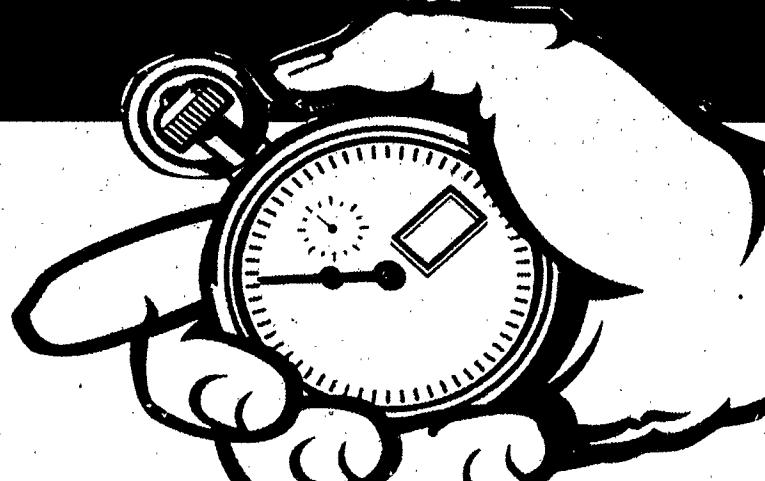
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Catering seminar planned at Old Depot

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Always wanted to open your own restaurant? Or do you dream of marketing an old family recipe?

The Mississippi State Extension Service and the city of Bay St. Louis are sponsoring a seminar, Food and Catering as a Business, which may serve to answer questions about doing just that and more.

The seminar will be held at the Bay St. Louis Depot Jan. 30-31 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Registration is \$50 per person before Jan. 12 and \$75 after that date. Fees include instruction, materials, break refreshments, and lunch.

Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie

Farve will introduce the Depot's signature meal, one served regularly on the Louisville and Nashville dining cars, on the first day of the seminar.

Students and instructors from all over the Gulf Coast are expected to participate. The seminar will offer those considering a food related business the opportunity to learn everything from basic business startup to final presentation as well as a chance to realize the possibilities of developing product lines and catering opportunities.

Expert instruction will include kitchen layout and appliances, equipment, supply and food purchasing, quantity cooking, event planning, presentation, health, and safety

regulations, and food safety. Good business practices will also be taught with instruction in financing, presenting a professional image, vendor/retailer relationships, basic business startup and Internet resources.

For those dreaming of marketing their own recipes there will be instruction product development, labeling, packaging and marketing and costing and pricing.

Several local financial institutions will also participate.

If you are interested in attending please contact the Director of Bay St. Louis Cultural Affairs Mike Cuevas at 463-7120 or Home Economist, Hancock County Extension Service at 467-5456. Early registration is encouraged.

Liles

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to replace Arnold as drummer so he could concentrate on lead vocals.

The band released its album *The Better Life* featuring "Kryptonite" in February last year, and, according to the Wall of Sound website "A tad belatedly, reviews and interviews

began appearing in mainstream publications such as *Rolling Stone* and *Entertainment Weekly*, as critics responded warmly to the group's traditional rock sound. As of September 2000, *The Better Life* had sold more than three million copies."

Old Spanish Trail Talent night

Old Spanish Trail Baptist Church will host an old-fashioned hymn-sing/praise/talent night on Saturday, Jan. 20, from 7 to 9 p.m.

There will be congregational singing. Anyone who wishes to

play an instrument, sing or read inspirational praise or poetry is invited. Refreshments will be served. Call 466-0220. The church is located about one mile west of Waveland on Hwy. 90 service road.

Crash kills Perk man

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

A Perkinston man has become the first fatality recorded in the new year in Hancock County. Mississippi Highway Patrol Sgt. Joe Gazzo identified the victim as Mark Johnson, 38.

Gazzo said Johnson was driving his 1993 Chevrolet north on state Hwy. 603 at about 1:56 a.m. Monday when it left the roadway, flipped and crashed in a private driveway. Johnson was partially ejected from the car, he said. The accident occurred about 20 miles north of Waveland.

OPINION

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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

There are lots of folks who use crab traps (pots) to catch crabs in the Bay, rivers and bayous south of Interstate 10, and they need to take note of a new ordinance going into effect May 1.

The change to Crabbing Ordinance No. 4.007(1) says a license is required for recreational crabbers fishing with traps. This is for resident and non-resident recreational crabbers using traps, and a license fee is \$5.

The license requirement applies to persons between the ages of 16 through 65.

Recreational crabbers using drop nets or other non-trap gear do not require a license.

The recreational crab license should provide valuable fishing data that can be used in the management of Mississippi's blue crab resource.

Neighboring states of Texas, Louisiana and Florida also require recreational crab trap licenses.

Activities are gearing up once again in my neighborhood at the McDonald Field.

It will be the home of a new girls softball league announced this past week by Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre.

It will be the Dixie Girls Fastpitch Softball League for girls ages 5-18.

Registration for the new league is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each Saturday through April at the McDonald Field located at Ulman, Carroll and Dunbar avenues, Bay St. Louis.

Registration fees are \$35 for the first child, second child \$30, and \$25 for each additional child in each family.

During the past several months, Mayor Favre, Bay Recreation Director Gus McKay and an advisory committee have been reviewing the various leagues available for play for young women.

The Dixie Girls Leagues offers play for girls ages 5-10, which gives an opportunity for girls 5-10, which was not the case with the prior girls league.

The new league is available to girls residing in Bay St. Louis, Waveland, Pearlington, Clermont Harbor, Lakeshore, Ansley, Diamondhead and Pass Christian. County residents in the county north of Diamondhead should contact the Dixie organization for Harrison-Hancock.

One of the reasons for selecting the Dixie League was because it offers sub-district and state tournament play, as well as World Series for each age group.

The new league's governing board is recruiting volunteers, team sponsors, umpires and coaches to assist with league play.

For further information, contact McKay at 463-7135; Tom Williams, 467-4992; Mike Meyers, 467-5011; Dane Jenkins, 452-7309; Lonnie Falgout, 467-9124; or Ronnie Artigues, Jr., 467-5426.

The annual Gulf Coast Legislative Reception is set for 5:30 p.m., January 23 at the Trade Mart in Jackson.

This is always a very popular reception for the legislators. I have been told many times that it is the most attended reception by our state leaders in our capital city.

Bus transportation will be provided for a fee of \$25 per person for the round trip. The chartered bus will leave the chamber's office at 1 p.m., and reservations to ride the bus is needed to be made by Friday, January 19.

For further information, call the chamber at 467-9048.

Things should be pretty well set for the annual Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's banquet and installation of officers set for Friday night at Casino Magic's Entertainment Complex.

Key note speaker is Mississippi's Governor Ronnie Musgrove.

I have a feeling that there will be a record number attending the banquet and installation. Reservations for the banquet had to be made in advance. In most recent years the event was held in December, but it was decided to move to January this year because of so many happenings during the holiday season.

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Education Secretary nomination controversial

Beyond the obvious local pride and praise heaped on Rod Paige, the ex-Mississippian and Jackson State grad, over his nomination by president-elect George W. Bush as the first black to become Education Secretary, some here question how far his views now veer from his native roots.

Without exception, those in the Jackson State University community who were once associates give Paige, very high marks for his integrity, intellectual honesty and discipline.

Several, however, reserved

judgment as to some policies he has espoused, particularly school vouchers and strict adherence to student testing.

Paige, 67, has been superintendent of the Houston (Texas) school system and considered one of the nation's top urban educators.

Questions are raised here about views expressed by Paige as to why he became a Republican after leaving Mississippi, eventually winding up as an ally of the Bush political family.

Most troubling to a number

of Mississippians, black and

white, was his assertion in an interview with the Dallas Morning News that he became a Republican because in Mississippi "the guys who were lynching us were Democrats."

Dr. James Anderson, who had been team physician for Jackson State during Paige's tenure as head football coach at JSU in the early and mid-1960s, said "I don't recall him ever expressing his political views."

Anderson, now semi-retired from his medical practice here, had long been active in state Democratic Party politics. "If it weren't for Democrats like John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson, I don't know if some of us African-Americans would be where we are today," he added.

Retired JSU football coach W.

C. Gorden, who had been hired as an assistant by Paige out of high school ranks in 1967, speaks admiringly of his former JSU colleague, as "a very bright, unconventional person. He never followed the masses."

But Gorden said he would part company with his old colleague if he pushes the idea of school vouchers. "I'm strong for public education," said Gorden, "and I'm against vouchers. Until he (Paige) decides his feelings on that question, I'm reserving my judgment on his appointment."

Gorden recalled that Paige grew up in a rural Mississippi public school setting and having

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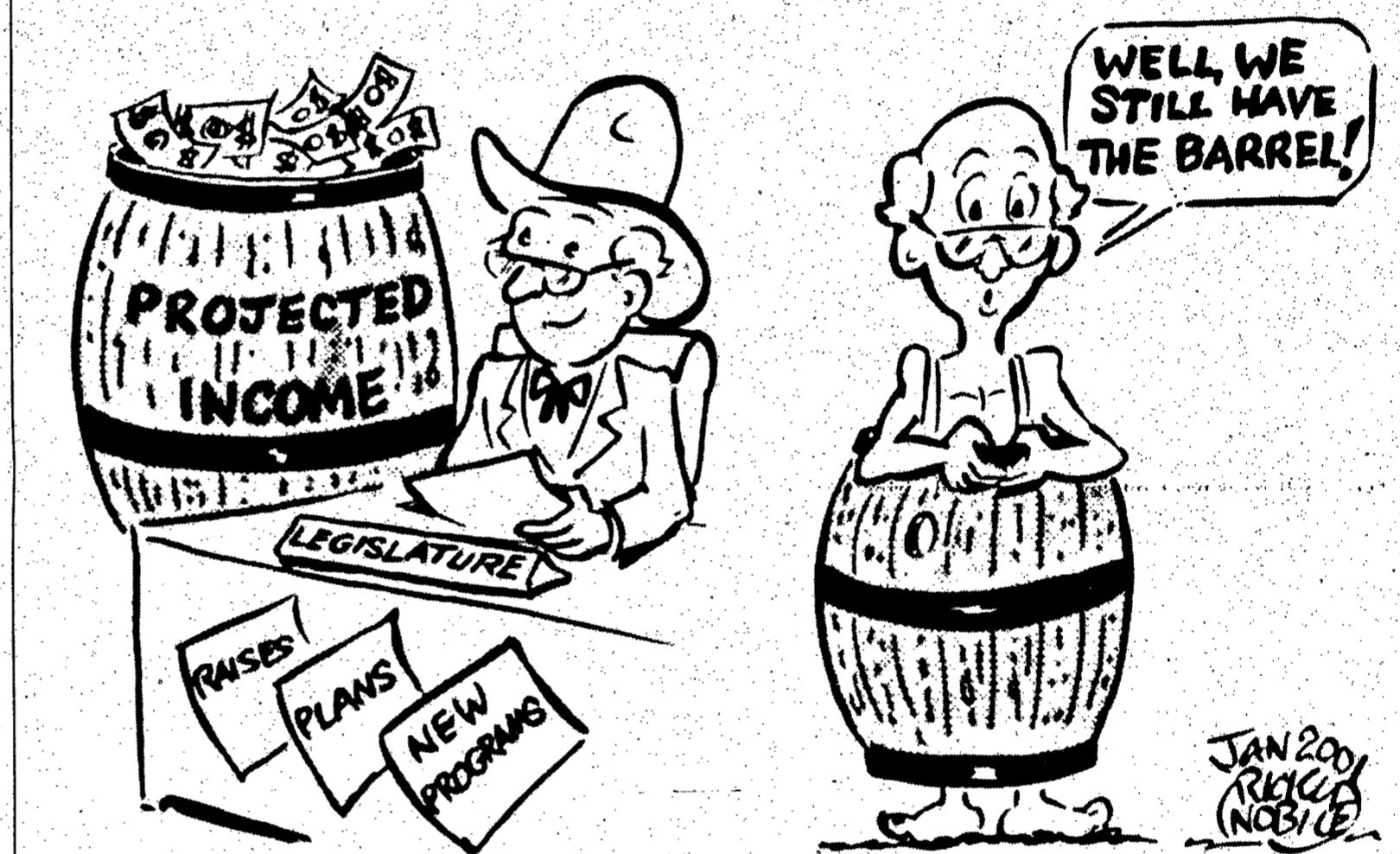
Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor

Retired JSU football coach W.

THE 90'S

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Letters to the Editor

Park your car properly, and the police will leave you alone

Letter to the Editor:

The letter to the editor posted by Mark Edmonson and his horrendous experience with a "Barney Fife, one bullet" Waveland Police officer had my grave concern up UNTIL the end of the first sentence.

Mr. Edmonson's name calling, temperament and insults, as indicated in his letter to the editor, certainly can leave one's imagination wide open as to what really did occur in the Wal-Mart parking lot that morning of Dec. 30.

I obviously don't want to appear that I am "haphazardly" defending the police officer involved, but this does appear to be a "one-sided tale" at this point.

Unfortunately, any officers involved in these types of incidents are not afforded the luxury of being able to defend themselves publicly with letters to the editors. They must reserve their comments and defense, respectively, in a courtroom of law where very few of those in the public learn of the outcome.

Thus one-sided stories published in letters to the editor can leave a lasting, unjustified and very biased impression erupting a sarcastic doubt in the public eye about all police officers. It leaves all officers with a "helpless feeling" as the emotion Mr. Edmonson claimed to endure.

Mr. Edmonson wishes he had a video camera on! I wish basically for the same thing; but in a different view, that all law enforcement officers could have the luxury of installed video cameras in their units. A small taxpayer expense that would save tremendous taxpayer dollars in the long run.

This obviously appears to be an officer's only defense and burden of proof in a courtroom of law. Their word and oath doesn't appear to be holding much weight as we progress into the future.

As for Mr. Edmonson's vented frustration, this is my personal and level-headed advice to him and to those who unfortunately may have a run-in with the police.

First, try to comprehend what a clearly marked parking bay is used for, and that is to properly park your car and avoid incidents like Mr. Edmonson's altogether. Can you imagine the chaos if every driver decided that "it's no big deal" and parked haphazardly anywhere they desired? "Barney Fife" suddenly would be in demand!

Secondly, when confronted by a police officer, smile politely, stay calm and take the ticket, if issued one, and simply leave when permitted to do so. If you feel the officer has wronged you in any way other than by the

citation issued, simply drive to the officer's police department and walk in and file an official signed complaint.

This will help aid the department's administration to evaluate if that officer was improperly doing his or her job and take the appropriate action to rectify the problem if need be.

Third, a public parking lot is no place to hold and open court and rant, rave and "blow a gasket" trying to state your case as Mr. Edmonson admitted to doing so.

It does appear to come off as a public disturbance, one that I would not certainly like to witness at public shopping center. It is enough to "turn one's stomach."

Police officers are not out there to be judges and jurors and hold court with each person they run across. That is why we

have courtrooms of laws with respective judges.

An officer may be off duty, but he still has the authority to uphold the law 24 hours a day, and it doesn't give anyone the right to believe they can break the law in front of an off-duty officer.

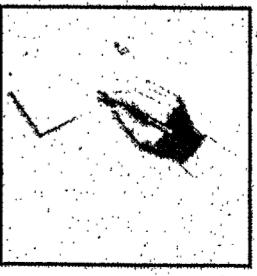
That officer does have the right to call for assistance when he feels that a situation is escalating out of control. It happens to be for your safety and that of the officer.

However, for the sake of a biased letter to the editor, it doesn't give any officer the right to abuse his power of authority if the situation proves to be true thus creating a bad image for the other officers who fulfill their job requirements with integrity and honesty!

Patti Hannah
Bay Saint Louis

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BASKETBALL. update

Panthers surge late over Tigers 79-55

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The Bay High Tigers hosted the Pascagoula Panthers in high school basketball action at the Tiger Dome in Bay St. Louis on Tuesday, January 9. The Lady Tigers recorded a 58-47 win over the pesky Lady Panthers and the boys team dropped a hard fought game to the Panthers 79-55.

The Lady Tigers led the entire game but were not able to deliver the knockout punch to Pascagoula allowing the Lady Panthers to stay within striking distance.

Carmen Labat led the Lady Tigers with 12 points followed by Kendra Reed and Shenma

Ambrose with nine and eight points, respectively.

Lady Tiger head coach Debbie Triplett commented, "We were in control of the game but just weren't able to put Pascagoula away. Carmen Labat and Kendra Reed played well for us tonight. Shenma Ambrose struggled for us and had perhaps her worst game of the year. She got into foul trouble early and that hurt us. Pascagoula hurt us on the boards all game long."

With the win the Lady Tigers improve to 17-4 overall and will host St. John on Friday, January 12.

In the boys game, the Tigers jumped out to a 20-10 lead over

the Panthers in the first period. Pascagoula roared back in the second period to take a 28-26 lead into the break.

The third period saw the Tigers scrap with the Panthers before Pascagoula wore Bay High down in the fourth period with their size and speed.

Bay High head coach Monty Noblitt stated, "I am very proud of the way we played tonight. We battled with a very strong Pascagoula team for three periods. This was the best game of the year for us as far as execution and shooting goes. Corey Todd had a big night offensively for us while Nat Fairconnetue had one heck of a game, defensively. We are going

to get better. We have another tough team coming here on Friday night in St. Stanislaus. The game will be for the Mayor's Cup. If we play with the same intensity and hustle, we can have a great game."

Corey Todd led the Tigers with 14 points while Jarrod Alexander and Nat Fairconnetue scored 10 and nine points, respectively. Derick Powe led all scorers with 18 points. Jason Watson and Gerrow Jones added 17 and 16 points in the win.

The loss drops Bay High to 4-13 overall. The Tigers will host St. Stanislaus in the Mayor's Cup game on Friday, January 12.

Hancock County players pace PRC Lady Wildcats

Pearl River Community College split with host Delgado Saturday in men's and women's non-division basketball action.

The Lady Wildcats fell victim to poor shooting in the first half and fell 71-67 to drop to 9-3 overall, while the Wildcats improved to 10-2 with a 73-67 victory.

In women's action, Pearl River hit only 29 percent from the field in the first half and trailed the Lady Dolphins 28-21 at the intermission. Despite winning the second half 46-43, PRCC fell four points shy of victory.

Jessica Pucheu of Hancock County paced Pearl River with 14 points, while Mindy Ladner of Hancock County added 13 (five rebounds, four steals). Dee Flenney of North Forrest scored 12, Brandi Ladner of Hancock County eight (nine rebounds, three steals), Lori DeSilvey of Hancock

County six (four steals), Quinisia Hatten of North Forrest five (10 rebounds), Michelle Small of New Orleans four (four steals), LaShunda McGee of North Forrest two (nine rebounds), and Kara Primes of Poplarville, Millie Graves of Bassfield, and Sarah Nabours of Poplarville, one each.

From the foul line, PRCC was 19 of 29 (66 percent), while Delgado was 27 of 42 (64 percent).

In men's action, James Singleton of Chicago hit a game-high 21 points and grabbed 18 rebounds to lead the Wildcats to their 11-point victory. Pearl River held on to a narrow 32-29 edge at the half, but pounded the host Dolphins 41-33 in the second half.

From the foul line, PRCC was six of eight (75 percent), while Delgado was nine of 17 (53 percent).

PRC splits with Jones in division play

Pearl River Community College split with arch-rival Jones Tuesday in men's and women's South Division basketball action.

PRCC's men remain undefeated in division play at 3-0 with a hard-fought 77-73 overtime victory to improve to 11-2 overall, while the women dropped their second straight contest, falling to the Lady Bobcats 72-64. The Lady Wildcats fell to 9-4 overall and 2-1 in division play. Jones' men dropped to 11-3 and 2-1, while the women improved to

14-1 and 3-0.

In men's action, Pearl River led 39-28 at the half, but Jones fought back to deadlock the score at 62-62 at the end of regulation after the Wildcats managed only 23 points in the second half to the Bobcats' 34. PRCC won the overtime period 15-11 to take the four-point victory.

From the foul line, PRCC was 11 of 15 (73 percent), while JCJC was 12 of 19 (63 percent).

In the women's game, Pearl River led for nearly 30 minutes

of play, but the Lady Bobcats rallied in the final 10 minutes to take their 14th win of the season. The Lady Wildcats led 34-24 at the half.

Hancock County sophomores Lori DeSilvey and Jessica Pucheu led PRCC with 12 and 11 points, respectively, while Michelle Small of New Orleans added 10 and hit the Lady Wildcats' only three pointer of the night. Quinisia Hatten of North Forrest scored nine and grabbed 18 rebounds to lead the Wildcats to their 11-point victory.

From the foul line, PRCC was six of eight (75 percent), while Delgado was nine of 17 (53 percent).

Nontoxic shot

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ments.

Compliance with the use of nontoxic shot has been widespread since lead shot was banned for waterfowl hunting nationwide in 1991.

The Service believes that compliance will continue to increase with the approval and availability of other nontoxic shot types.

"As new research shows, the ban on lead shot has been a tremendous boon for North American waterfowl. Hunters should know that by using nontoxic shot, they are helping to preserve our hunting heritage for future generations," said Clark, referring to a recent study that examined lead shot poisoning in waterfowl.

The study, "Ingestion of Lead and Nontoxic Shotgun Pellets by Ducks in the Mississippi Flyway," was published last summer in the Journal of Wildlife Management.

Researchers found that the ban on lead shot reduced lead poisoning deaths of Mississippi Flyway mallards by 64 percent, while overall ingestion of toxic

pellets declined by 78 percent over previous levels.

The report concluded that by significantly reducing lead shot ingestion in waterfowl, the ban prevented the lead poisoning deaths of approximately 1.4 million ducks in the 1997 fall flight of 90 million ducks.

In addition, the researchers state that approximately 462,000 to 615,000 acres of breeding habitat would have been required to produce the same number of birds that potentially were saved by nontoxic shot regulations that year.

Ducks regularly grub for food on the bottoms of lakes, streams and wetland habitat, and also ingest gravel that is used in the gizzard to help grind up food for digestion.

They are therefore vulnerable to ingesting spent lead pellets that settle on the bottom of waterways and wetlands. Ingestion of as little as one lead pellet may be enough to cause fatal lead poisoning in most ducks.

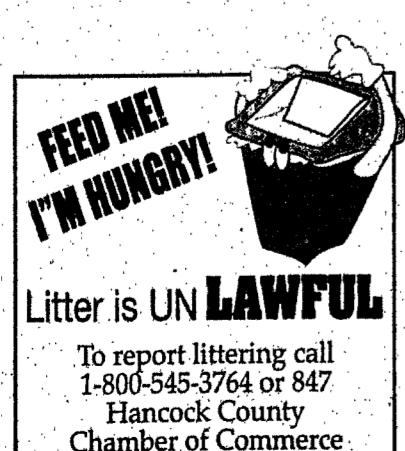
The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the principal federal

agency responsible for conserving, protecting, and enhancing fish, wildlife and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

The Service manages the 93-million acre National Wildlife Refuge System comprised of 531 refuges, thousands of small wetlands, and other special management areas. It also operates 66 national fish hatcheries, 64 fish and wildlife management assistance offices and 78 ecological services field stations.

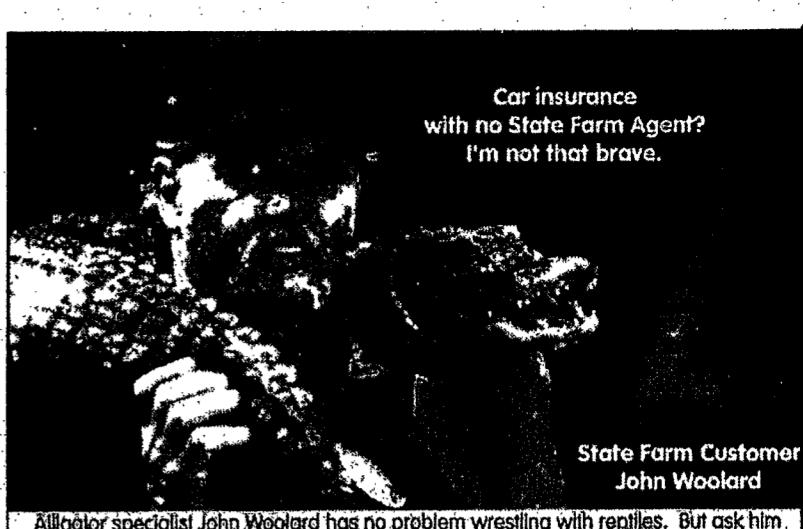
The agency enforces federal wildlife laws, administers the Endangered Species Act, manages migratory bird populations, restores nationally significant fisheries, conserves and restores wildlife habitat such as wetlands, and helps foreign governments with their conservation efforts.

It also oversees the Federal Aid program that distributes hundreds of millions of dollars in excise taxes on fishing and hunting equipment to state wildlife agencies.



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Hancock begins new program for workers

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Hancock County supervisors have given the go-head for county employees to gain additional computer and managerial knowledge closer to home.

At Tuesday's Board meeting, Prima Plauche, Hancock County Library System Director reported to supervisors on the recent success of efforts by the Library staff to provide cost-effective training opportunities to library and county employees using space, resources and funding available within the county.

The program is entitled:

"Training Consortium for Bay St. Louis, Waveland and Hancock County Government" (TRAC).

The first two classes recently graduated and received certificates of completion of courses in Word I and Excel 1.

Plauche said she developed the TRAC program because "I recognize the need for cost-effective, on-site training for our growing work force." Besides basic and advanced computer skills, classes will also be available to allow workers to obtain basic literacy skills and preparation for a GED.

A grant from the Pearl River

Community College Workshop Training Project will provide for the first phase of the program, basic and advanced computer training. Additional funding will be offered through the Waveland Library and Literacy Center.

Libraries in Bay St. Louis, Kiln and Waveland and the depot in Bay St. Louis will be used as class sites. Courses will be offered free or at a nominal fee.

Under the program, each local government entity will appoint a training contact person to attend meetings of the consortium and coordinate their



Oyster reefs reopen to harvest at sunrise today

The Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources has approved the reopening of reefs that were previously closed to the harvest of oysters. The following areas reopened to the harvest of oysters at legal sunrise Thursday, Jan. 11, 2001:

Area I "B" Conditionally Approved Waters, which includes St. Joseph's or "St. Joe" Reef,

Area II "A" Conditionally Approved Waters, which includes portions of the Henderson Point Reef and northern portions of the Pass Christian Reef,

Area II "B" Conditionally Approved Waters, which includes the St. Stanislaus Reef and Waveland Reef; and

Area II "D" Conditionally Approved Waters, which

includes the public oyster reefs in St. Louis Bay between the Highway 90 Bridge and the CSX Railroad Bridge.

All other areas and waters of the state of Mississippi are closed to the harvest of oysters.

For more information with respect to the open and closed areas, call the 24-hour Oyster Information Hotline at (228) 374-6167 or 1-800-385-5902.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the State by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes.

Personal safety suggestions offered by Mississippi agency

Some important safety steps can sharply reduce an individual's chances of being a crime victim, according to the Mississippi Division of Public Safety Planning.

"Far too often, victims play into the hands of attackers," said Dr. Billy White Jr., Public Safety Planning's executive director.

White offered the following suggestions:

If the individual wishing to enter your home or apartment indicates that he or she is a law enforcement officer or representative of an organization such as a utility company, demand positive identification before making it possible for the person to enter.

If a stranger indicates a need to make an emergency telephone call, offer to make the call for this individual. If a stranger says that he or she needs to enter your home or apartment to escape a potential attacker, contact your local law enforcement agency immediately rather than letting the person enter.

Ask yourself what you would do if you were locked out of your home. Would there be a relatively easy way to gain entry, such as a key under the doormat or a window that easily could be opened?

If you can break in, it's likely that a criminal also can break in. If you conclude that it's easy to break into your home, take steps to make it more secure.

He also provided some safety steps to follow if you're away from home:

- Keep your cash in different places rather than having it all

in a billfold or a purse. There are many ways of hiding cash.

- Make every effort to avoid entering a stranger's motor vehicle or going anywhere with a stranger in your vehicle. Generally, criminals who don't try to have you accompany them are interested only in stealing, but individuals wanting you to accompany them probably have other intentions such as taking a hostage, assault or murder.

In most instances, it's better to resist before riding with the perpetrator rather than after you're in the vehicle.

This is particularly true if you've parked in a well-lit area with other persons around, which is highly recommended.

Have two sets of keys, one for your vehicle and one for your house or apartment. This may seem "too much bother," but having your vehicle key(s) separate from your other keys can help to avoid making a bad situation worse if confronted by a carjacker.

If an individual demands that you give him or her your vehicle key(s), a possibly effective move would be to throw the key(s) as far as you can.

While the perpetrator goes after the key(s), you likely will have time to escape. If the perpetrator can't immediately find the key(s), you may have time to summon help.

Don't forget that protecting yourself is more important than protecting your property, if you can't do both.

- Keep your cash in different places rather than having it all



Several Hancock County employees recently received certificates for completing an Excel 1 computer class under the new TRAC training program being offered to county and employees of the cities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland. From left are: Sandra Ladner, Kiln Library; Pam Cuevas, Hancock County Chancery Court Clerk; Penney Dean, Hancock County Board of Supervisors; Suzette Necaise, Hancock County Purchasing Department; Linda McKay, Gwen Taggart, Prima Plauche, Instructor Jet Clogher, all of the Hancock County Library System; Evan Shiyou, Hancock County Board of Supervisors, Myra Haynes, and Adrienne Bradley, Hancock County Library System.

Completing Word 1 TRAC class: From left are: Sandra Ladner, Kiln Library; Sandra Marshall, Hancock Library System; Darlene Lee, Hancock County Chancery Clerk's Office; Instructor Jet Clogher, Chris Greene, Hancock Library System; Erica Candebat, Hancock Chancery Clerk's Office; Cynthia Fayard, Hancock County Board of Supervisors; Ruth Breazeale, Hancock County Purchasing Department.

agency or department training schedules. David Woodburn, the library system's assistant director, will serve as TRAC's project manager.

Future courses will include management training programs, supervisory development courses, workplace management courses and a number of other classes aimed at upgrading each employee's job skills.

TRAC will also make use of visual aids and other resources available from the Mississippi

State Personnel Board's Office of Training. Trainers have promised on-site training if local government agencies will guarantee a certain number of participants.

The Office of training also offers a Certified Public Manager Program to individuals approved to enroll by a local agency.

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Heitzmann graduates nursing school at USM



Julie Heitzmann

Julie Heitzmann, former graduate of Bay Senior High and daughter of Jerry and Debbie Heitzmann, was graduated Dec. 15 with highest honors from the University of

Southern Mississippi with a many honor, service and leadership baccalaureate degree in nursing.

While at USM she received many awards and honors including *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, National Dean's List, President's List, Mississippi Association of Student Nurses Hall of Fame, USM Student Nurse of the Year, the Spirit of Nursing Award, the National Collegiate Nursing Award, USAA-All American Collegiate Scholar, the American Legion Scholastic Excellence Medal, 1997-1998 College of Science and Technology Scholar, and Omicron Delta Kappa Outstanding Freshman Woman.

Heitzmann was a member of

and the J. Richard Pratt Undergraduate Scholarship.

Heitzmann served as president of the December 2000 nursing class, director of communications of the USM Student Nurses Association and as a delegate to the 1998-1999 and 1999-2000 MASN convention.

She was an active member of the sorority of Pi Beta Phi and served as Pledge Class president.

Heitzmann has accepted a position in the Intensive Care Unit at Forrest General Hospital in Hattiesburg and later plans to return to school to become a nurse anesthetist.

Jitney

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stores in Mississippi, beginning with those in Jackson. A delay in the transformation at any of the other stores could slow the change here.

The new Winn-Dixie will retain Jitney's current employees, Levigne said, as well as begin the process to invite back some of the employees from the former Winn-Dixie location at Zupardo's Bay Plaza. That store closed in November 1999. At the time, Levigne said the closure was a temporary measure while company officials sought a larger, more suitable location for a Winn-Dixie "superstore."

Many of that store's 60 employees stayed with the company, Levigne said, moving to other Winn-Dixie chains in the area such as the Long Beach location.

Joseph S. Scharff opened the first Jitney Jungle store in Bay St. Louis around 1952 at the corner of Main and Second streets, later moving to the corner of DeMontluzin and Second before the eventual move to its present location. Scharff and his wife operated the store for several years before selling the franchise back to Jitney's parent company.

Stennis

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Tuesday, he said he gave the money to Johnson Controls employees to help them with personal or financial problems.

Bramlette said the evidence clearly showed Mizell paid the employees with the intention of gaining contracts. He also found Mizell obstructed justice by telling the other defendants, after they had been indicted, to characterize the payments as loans.

Bramlette also sentenced Richard J. Jones of Picayune to 15 months in prison for his role in the scam. He had already pleaded guilty to stealing government property, and admitted in testimony Tuesday, he sold the same products over and over again to Johnson Controls. Jones contended he made \$20,000 in the scam, but Bramlette ordered him to pay almost \$210,000 in restitution to NASA.

The judge also sentenced two other defendants, Billy Gene Boyte and Eric Lorne Townley, each to three years on probation.

Three other defendants will be sentenced later by Bramlette, and the federal investigation is continuing.

Murder

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offices while they took molds of the tire treads and matched them to the tracks at Knippers' mother's house. Knippers was just arriving for a visit at the house when he was shot in the driveway.

Originally, police thought that robbery may be a motive for the murder, but Knippers still had his wallet when police arrived at the scene. Knippers ran to a nearby convenience store, probably to draw the killers away from the house, police said. He died later at Walthall General Hospital in Tylertown.

Lutie Jordon is being held without bond in the Walthall County Jail and Charles Jordon is being held without bond in the Lawrence County Jail. Sparacello said a \$15,000 reward is being offered for more information in the ongoing investigation.

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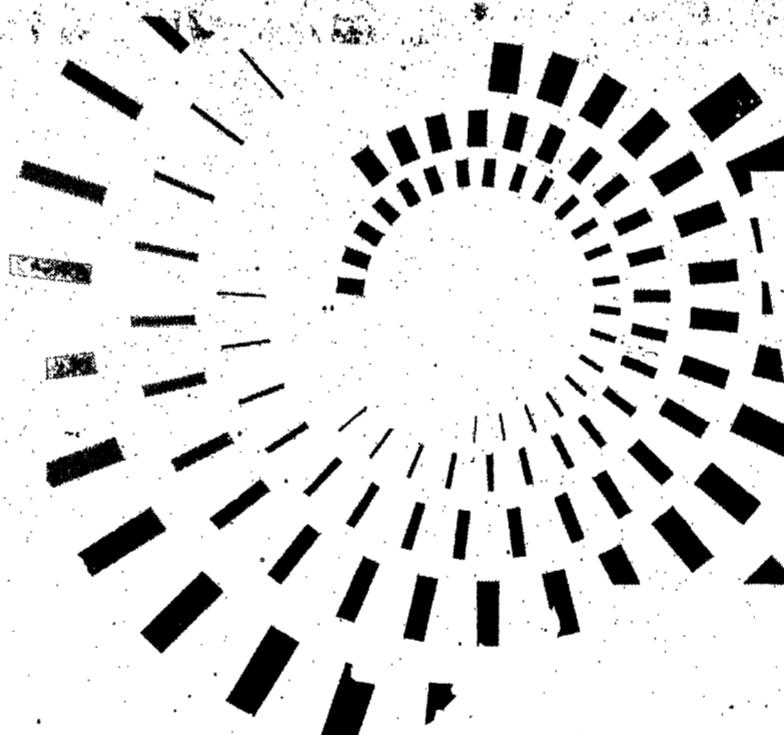
Joel Robinson, the developer, commented: "We have sold almost a half million Gas Savers. To our surprise, as many people buy the Gas Saver because it extends engine life (by cleaning out the abrasive carbon deposits) as buy it to increase gas mileage or to raise octane."

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Entertainment

Bay Little Theater to present 'Little Shop'

The Bay St. Louis Little Theater will present the mandibled musical about a man-eating plant, "Little Shop of Horrors."

Opening is Friday, Jan. 12 at 8 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis Little Theater, 301 Boardman Avenue in Bay St. Louis.

Performances will continue Saturday, Jan. 13 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Jan. 14 at 2 p.m., Friday, Jan. 19 and Saturday, Jan. 20 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Jan. 21 at 2 p.m.

The play will feature expressionistic set designs and monster by local creature-creator Kevin Webster.

The production is directed by Jay Cocker and stars Seymour Krelborn, Jonathan Peel; Audrey, Alicein Renard; Mrs. Mushnik, Elaine Glover; Voice of Audrey 2 (the Plant), Lex Mauffray; Orrin Scrivello DDS.

Darrell Hughes; Crystal, Sonya Ashley; Chiffon, Jené Wadsworth; Ronnette, Ladonna Barrah.

Also, Bernstein, Lex Mauffray; Skip Snip, Jay Coker; Martin the Man in Black, Alex Ledner; Ms. Luce, Emily Liner; and Street Urchin, Trey Mauffray.

The director is Jay Coker; co-director and stage manager, Arthur Bailey Jr.; producer, Scott Darrah; and music and vocal direction, Anthony and Sandy Starcher.

Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased in advance at Flying Cups & Saucers Coffee Bar across from the Train Depot, Gifts by the Bay, and The Purple Snapper in Bay St. Louis, and Morning Market in Pass Christian.

For information, contact Sherry Webster at 463-0615.



Jonathan Peel stars as Seymour Krelborn in BSL's "Little Shop"

Elvis birthday party at Paper Moon Saturday, January 13

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Toby Keith concert Friday, Jan. 26, at Grand

Toby Keith, recently cited as "one of country's most underrated singers" by *USA Today*, brings his firebrand style of country music to The Grand Casino in Biloxi on Friday, Jan. 26 at 9 p.m.

Tickets are on sale now with prices at \$24.95 (balcony) and \$29.95 (floor). You can call TicketMaster at 800-488-5252 or buy on-line at ticketmaster.com.

Music critics across the country have embraced both Keith's five show and recording efforts. "Keith has the kind of expressive and deep voice that begs you to listen," said The Boston Phoenix, and the Richmond Times-Dispatch reported, "Keith has mastered the art of stepping out and trying new things rather than sticking to one style and the same rhythm. In the world of music, change means success."

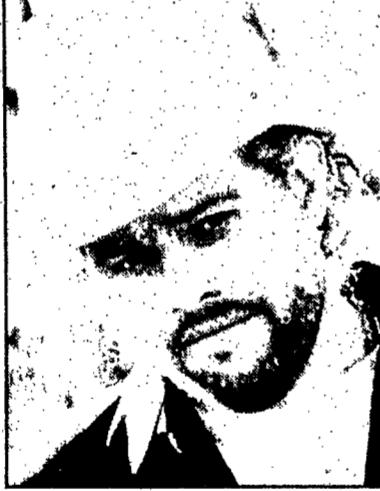
With his athletic, 6'4" frame, an all-knowing grin and an easy-going demeanor, Keith dominates every stage he commandeers, using natural charisma and talent to keep his audience in the palm of his hand from start to finish.

Jerry Lee Lewis tickets on sale

Tickets are on sale for the Jerry Lee Lewis concert scheduled at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis for Saturday, Jan. 27 at 9 p.m. in the Magic Entertainment Complex.

Lewis is known for hits like "Whole Lot Of Shakin' Going On," "Great Balls of Fire," "Breathless," and "High School Confidential."

Tickets are \$20, \$25 and \$30 and may be purchased through Ticketmaster or through the Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Box Office at 463-4035.



Toby Keith

The Oklahoma resident exploded on the Nashville scene in 1993 with the smash hits which he wrote, "Should've Been A Cowboy" and "A Little

Less Talk," taking the industry by storm with his unique sound and classic voice.

Since then he's racked up one self-penned chart-topping song after another, including "Who's That Man?" "You Ain't Much Fun" and the decidedly different "Getcha Some."

He earned prestigious Grammy and ACM nominations thanks to his high-profile duet with Sting, "I'm So Happy I Can't Stop Crying."

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Auditions for *Evita*

KNS Theatre will conduct auditions for its new production, *Evita*, Jan. 15 and 16 at 7 p.m. at the Biloxi Saenger.

Evita is the acclaimed Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice musical about the life of the famous Argentinean Eva Peron who became a saint to her people.

A large number of actors, singers, and dancers are needed for this show, including five major roles, several supporting roles, and a large chorus.

Auditionees are requested to prepare a song from the show or a comparable one. A piano

accompanist will be furnished. Tape and CD accompaniment permitted with lead vocals omitted (music only). No ensemble singing.

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BUSINESS NEWS



New officers

The Diamondhead Business & Professional Association has named its new officers for the year 2001. Kip Reddien, The Chart Group, left, will serve as president, Trina Keel, Hibernia Mortgage, is treasurer, Tanna Adam, Century 21, is secretary and Clay Leyser, Hancock Bank, is vice president. The group's next general meeting will be held Thursday, January 25, 8-9 a.m., at the Diamondhead Country Club. Guest speaker will be Hal Waters, Executive Director of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission. A business after hours is planned for later that day from 5 to 7 p.m. at Hoda Chiropractic.

Bank announces trust officer promotions

Hancock Bank President and Chief Executive Officer George A. Schloegel recently announced trust officer promotions approved during the Hancock Holding Company and Hancock Bank Board of Directors regular December 2000 meeting.

Hancock employees receiving promotions include:

Paula Chastain

Chastain attended Alabama Christian College in Mobile and is currently pursuing a bachelor of business administration degree at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

Additionally, she attended the Cannon Financial Institute Trust School at Boston University and holds two brokerage licenses.

Joining Hancock Bank four years ago as a Trust Department file clerk, she is now a trust administrator with Hancock Trust Investments.

Chastain serves as treasurer of St. Matthew Lutheran Church Council and vice president of the Aid Association for Lutherans, Branch 10679. She is a Mobile native.

Aimee B. Nyman

Originally from Kendallville, Ind., Nyman received a bachelor of arts degree in business and French with a minor in economics, from Hanover College in Hanover, Ind.

Currently an assistant portfolio manager with Hancock Trust Investments, Nyman holds a chartered financial analyst designation. Nyman served two years as a Peace Corps volunteer before joining Hancock Bank in 1995.

Denise Parker

Parker, a personal trust administrator, was graduated from Long Beach High School, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, and the



Holiday hiring drops unemployment rate

Employers increasing their labor forces for the holiday shopping season helped send the state's unemployment rate down in November, the Mississippi Employment Security Commission (MESC) announced.

The rate for November was 4.9 percent, down from October's rate of 5.2 percent. The national unemployment rate for November was 3.8 percent.

"The number of unemployed fell by 2,800 during November as employers put on workers to help with the Christmas buying season," said MESC Executive Director Curt Thompson. There were 2,600 more jobs in the retail trade sector of the workforce during November.

Most counties saw their rates go down during November. The exceptions Thompson said were agricultural counties which had higher rates due to unemployment caused by the end of the harvest season.

As usual Lafayette County led the state with the lowest rate recording a 4.1 percent

rate. Oktibbeha County had the second lowest rate at 2.2 percent and Rankin and Desoto counties tied for third with rates of 2.3 percent.

On the other end of the scale, Issaquena County had the state's highest rate recording at 21.7 percent. Holmes County was second from the bottom with a rate of 20.5 percent.

Thompson said December rates should fall in urban areas as the full effect of the holiday season is felt with the addition of retail jobs. In agricultural areas the rates should remain up as farm jobs are lost during the winter, he said.

FSA has loan funds available

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) has loan funds to help socially disadvantaged beginning farmers, including minorities, buy land for farming or to operate farms in Pearl River, Hancock, and Harrison counties, said David Warrington, state executive director.

Under this program enacted by Congress, socially disadvantaged are women, Hispanics, Native Americans, African Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders.

FSA can also provide other loan assistance, including operating loans, and advice, if needed, to help the beginning farmer get started.

People who think they may be eligible, whether they already are in farming or would like to become farmers, are urged to contact the FSA county office in their area, said Warrington.

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KATHLEEN RENSHAW

GEORGE BLACKWELL

George Raymond Blackwell, 67, of Whitfield, died Sunday, Jan. 7, 2001, in Whitfield.

Mr. Blackwell was a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean conflict and was a Presbyterian.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Mae Blackwell; and two brothers, Adolf Blackwell and Paul Franklin Blackwell.

Survivors include four sons, Jerry Blackwell of Kiln, Terry Blackwell of Pass Christian, David Blackwell of Louisiana and Ray Marzilli of New Orleans; a daughter, Katherine D. Daussin of Algiers, La.; two brothers, Julius Blackwell of Baldwyn and Reggie Blackwell of Houston, Texas; and four sisters, Patricia Acree of Clinton, Eudora Adams of Greenville, Ruth Lenz of Melbourne, Fla., and Elizabeth Ann Bohan of Bakersville, Calif.

Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport is in charge of arrangements.

The family prefers memorials to Friends of Mississippi State Hospital, Whitfield, MS 39193 or Palmer Home, Box 746, Columbus, MS 39703-9983.

MAURICE BYRON

Maurice Bernard Byron, 76, of Diamondhead, died Monday, Dec. 25, 2000, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Byron was a native of

New Rockford, N.D. and a resident of the Mississippi Gulf Coast. He was a veteran serving in the Navy.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Eleanor Nordahl Byron; and his parents, Walter Hugh and Anita O'Connor Byron.

Survivors include his brother, Timothy F. Byron of Concord, Calif.; and a sister, Lucille A. Jung of Longview, Wash.

A private funeral service was conducted.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

MARK JOHNSON

Mark A. "Mule" Johnson, 38, of Necessity Crossing, died Monday, Jan. 8, 2001, in Kiln.

Mr. Johnson was a member of Lee's Chapel No. 2 in Leetown.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Veronica Daw Johnson.

Survivors include his parents, Jerry and Jewel Ladner Johnson; stepdaughters Monica Daw and Myranda Daw; brother, Darren Johnson; grandparents Edward and Ethel Saucier; and a grandson, all of Necessity.

Visitation was Tuesday evening at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at Crane Creek Baptist Church followed by burial in Necessity Crossing Cemetery.

DOROTHY LAWRSO

Dorothy McWilliams Lawrsen, 79, of Diamondhead, died Monday, Jan. 8, 2001, in Diamondhead.

Mrs. Lawrsen was a native of Jackson, a past resident of New Orleans for more than 20 years and a resident of Diamondhead for the past 20 years. She was a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Diamondhead and of the New Orleans Spring Fiesta Association and the Patio Planters of New Orleans.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Sheldon L. Morgan, Sr. and her second husband, Sam M. Lawrsen; a son, Sheldon L. Morgan, Jr.; and her parents, Henry E. and Vergie Barrett McWilliams.

Survivors include a grandchild.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated Saturday, Jan. 13 at 11 a.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Diamondhead.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

The family prefers memorials to St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 5303 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, MS 39525.

Survivors include his parents, Jerry and Jewel Ladner Johnson; stepdaughters Monica Daw and Myranda Daw; brother, Darren Johnson; grandparents Edward and Ethel Saucier; and a grandson, all of Necessity.

Visitation was Tuesday evening at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at Crane Creek Baptist Church followed by burial in Necessity Crossing Cemetery.

A graveside service was conducted Wednesday at Biloxi National Cemetery.

Bradford O'Keefe Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

The family prefers masses.

JULIUS M. MOORE

Julius M. Moore, 83, of New Haven, Conn., died Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2001, in New Haven.

Mr. Moore was a former resident of Pass Christian and was retired from the clothing business. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Berenice Veith Moore.

Survivors include a brother, Richard Moore of New Haven.

A graveside service was conducted Wednesday at Biloxi National Cemetery.

Bradford O'Keefe Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

The family prefers masses.



KATHLEEN RENSHAW

Kathleen Doris Renshaw, 92, of Bay St. Louis, died Monday, Jan. 8, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

She was a native of New Orleans and a longtime resident of Bay St. Louis. She was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis and a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Altar Society and Discalced 3rd Order of Our Mt. Carmel, Gulf Coast Chapter.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Henry S. and Georgianna Bellott Renshaw, and a brother, Norman Renshaw.

Survivors include cousins Dr. Paul A. Muhleisen of New Orleans and Alice Muhleisen Poissonet of Kenner.

Visitation will be Friday, Jan. 12, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis followed by celebration of a Mass of Christian Burial and interment in Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

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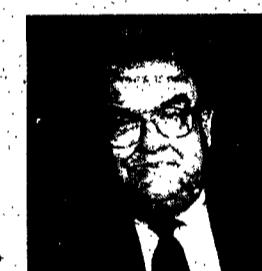
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Medical Center's patient load increases

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Hancock Medical Center (HMC) from Friday to Monday had some 69 patients admitted, said to Angie Gambino, RNBSN, Chief Nursing Officer, Wednesday afternoon.

The weekend is a period of the week when admitting figures are normally low at HMC and other hospitals.

Daily census at HMC during the past week has been running between 85-90. A record high for this season was set at 92 patients on Monday, Gambino said.

Hal Leftwich, FACHE, HMC administrator, said, "Last season we reached our peak census mid-December, it just came three weeks later."

The additional increase of persons needing to be hospitalized has been from all types of respiratory illnesses.

"No sooner than a patient is discharged, the room cleaned, and another patient is admitted," Gambino said.

As with all area hospitals during the past week, ICU units at HMC have been at capacity.

The census at HMC normally runs between 40-60, but the hospital's staff has been able to care for the additional patients



Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas

Hospital tour

Hal Leftwich, FACHE, Hancock Medical Center administrator, explains the local hospital's equipment and capabilities on a HMC Foundation sponsored tour. Among those taking the tour last week from left were, Lauly Peterson, Statewide Insurance Service; Mike Ladner, Hancock County School Superintendent; Julie Easter, school board member; Courtney Thomas, HMC Occupational Network coordinator; Ladell Crooks, Peggy Ladner, school board member; Gorden Crooks, Ansley/Heron Bay Civic Association president; and Lynn Bell, Garden Island Community Association president. Persons interested in a tour of HMC can call 467-8790 for further information.

by using the regular staff plus staff on call.

One of the unique systems at HMC for patient care is that when demanded, our nursing

managers can step down and provide patient care," Gambino said. Emergency room visits are also on an increase at Hancock Medical Center. A record was

set in December with 1,847 patients, and if January's trend continues, this will be the record month, according to Leftwich.

Everyone is welcome. After the service refreshments will be served. The Rev. Donald Peters is pastor.

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TOPS, MS 233 met Thursday, Jan. 4 at the Waveland Public Library. Best TOPS loser for the week was Elaine Club members welcomed three new members, Anna, Anna Marie, and a youth, Barbara. The Incentive Award was won by Judy, and the gift was won by Elaine, which she donated to the club. Club members are asked to bring their old Christmas cards (just the front section) so they can be sent to

TOPS 233 met Thursday, Jan. 4 at the Waveland Public Library. Best TOPS loser for the week was Paula. Paula was top KOPS. Sheri won the incentive award, and Rhonda won the raffle.

Jean was the month's best loser with 3 3/4 pounds. Paula was top KOPS. Sheri won the incentive award, and Rhonda won the raffle.

Anyone interested in losing weight is welcome to visit the TOPS 233 chapter. Call Paula at 467-0420.

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St. Rock hosts fellowship meet

St. Rock United Methodist Church is having a League Fellowship Service Sunday, Jan. 14 at 2 p.m.

The league consists of five churches, including New Hope Baptist, Greater Mt. Zion AME, Holmes Chapel United Methodist and First Baptist, all in Pearlington, and St. Rock, UMC, 301 Herlihy Street in Waveland.

Everyone is welcome. After the service refreshments will be served. The Rev. Donald Peters is pastor.

TOPS 307 Waveland

TOPS MS 307 Waveland met Wednesday, Jan. 3 at the Waveland Public Library with nine members present.

Rhonda was the week's best loser with 3 3/4 pounds. Paula was top KOPS. Sheri won the incentive award, and Rhonda won the raffle.

Jean was the month's best loser with 2 pounds, and Sheron was the chapter's guest.

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NICE TRAILER FOR RENT, UTILITIES p/d. \$125 deposit, \$125 month. 466-0315.

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150 Unfurn. Houses Rent

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